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<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO: All Licensed Child Care Providers

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Janet Coscarelli, Director TN Head Start State Collaboration Office

All Child Care Licensing Staff and Partners

FROM: Barbara Wall, Director of Child Care Services

DATE: April 30, 2010

SUBJECT: Talking About Touching Personal Safety Curriculum

I am writing to formally recognize the "Talking About Touching: A Personal Safety Curriculum" as an alternative curriculum to "Keeping Kids Safe" when teaching personal safety to pre-school children as required by Tennessee child care licensing rules.

This memorandum stands as formal approval by the Department of Human Services for licensed child care provdiers to use this curriculum, in total or in part, in fulfilling their obligations under the personal safety requirements of the child care licensing rules.

As usual, thanks for all you and your members do for the children and families of Tennessee.